

Figure 1: Initiator Molecule Self-assembled into a Monolayer on a Surface.

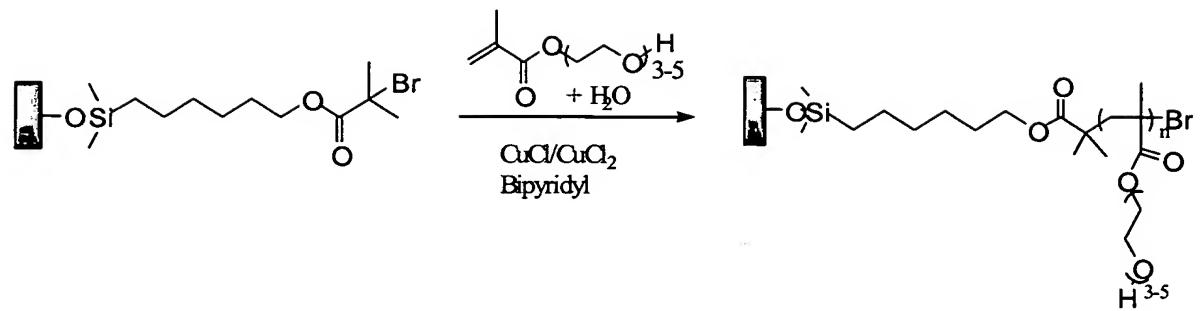


Figure 2: Growing PEGAA Films on a Substrate Using Surface Atom Transfer Radical Polymerization.

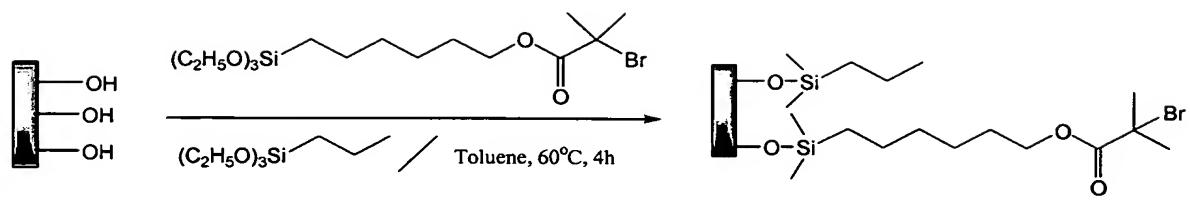


Figure 3: Self-assembly of a Monolayer Containing Initiator and Spacer Molecules onto the Surface of a Substrate.

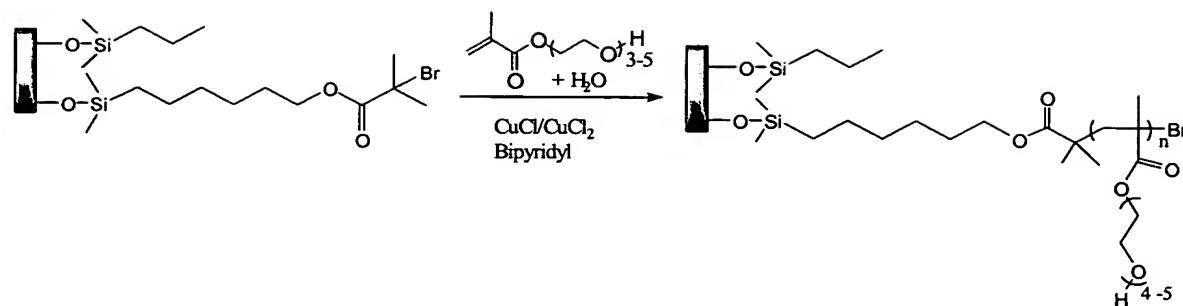
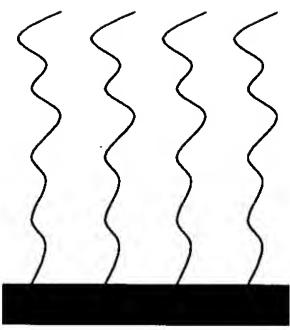
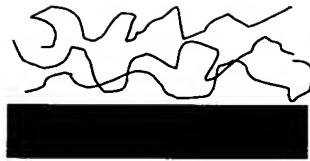


Figure 4: Bonding of PEGAA Polymer Chains to the Initiator Molecules Contained in a SAM Comprised of Both Initiator and Spacer Molecules.



Surface ATRP

5a



Macromolecule self-assembling method

5b

Figure 5a: PEGAA Polymer Chains Vertically Grown in Accordance with the SATRP Process of the Invention.

Figure 5b: Random Coil Deposition of Polymer Chains in Accordance with the Self-assembling Technique of Chapman et al.

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Figure 6: E. Coli Cell Adsorption on a Silica Wafer Prepared in Accordance with Example 11. No E. Coli Cells Were Observed Adhering to the Silica Wafer Substrate (20x image).

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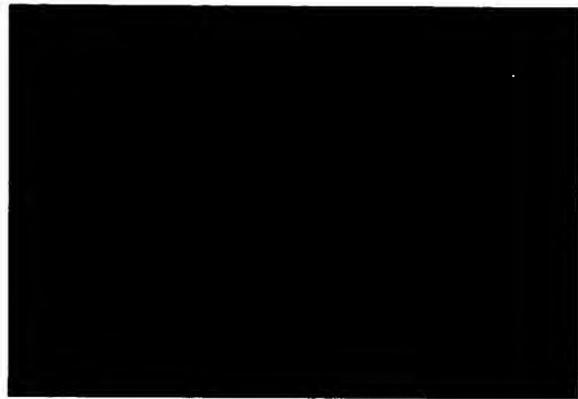
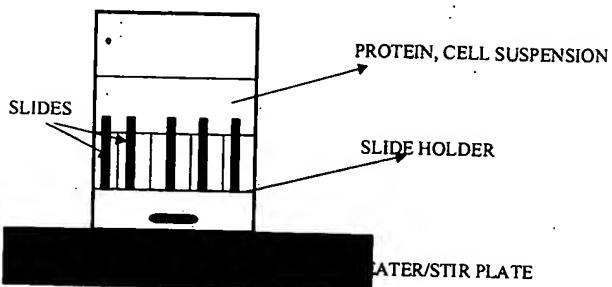


Figure 9: E. Coli Cell Adsorption on a Silicon Wafer Coated with a 20 nm Thick PEGM Polymer Layer in Accordance with the Process of Example 5. No E. Coli Cells were Observed Adhering to the Silica Wafer Substrate (20X Image).

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Schematic of a test cell for protein & cell binding experiments



For any given condition, we simulate two states

- A. Protein level built up on surface (load)*
- B. Irreversible protein level remaining on a surface (desorb)*

Figure 10: Schematic of Test Cell for Protein and Cell Binding Experiments.

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Figure 8: E. Coli Cell Adsorption on a Silicon Wafer Coated with the Initiator Monolayer of Example 4. E. Coli Cells Were seen Densely Binding to the Initiator Monolayer Grown on the Silica Substrate (100X Image).

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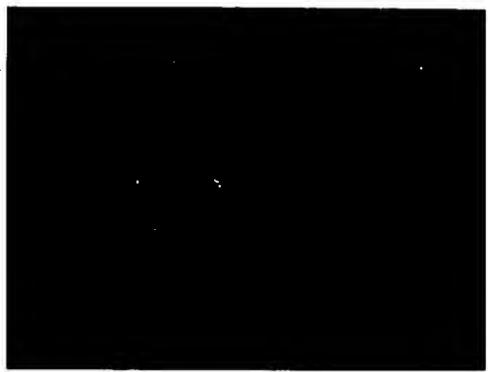


Figure 7: E. Coli Cell Adsorption on a Silicon Wafer Coated with the Initiator Monolayer of Example 4. E. Coli Cells Were Seen Densely Binding to the Initiator Monolayer Grown on Silica Substrate (20X Image).

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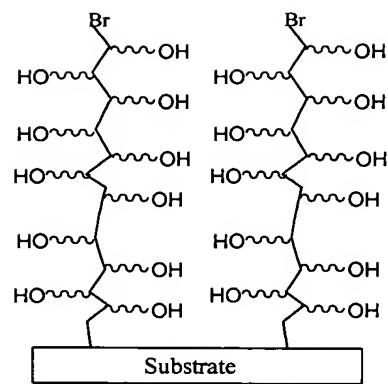
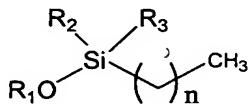


Figure 11: Cartoon Depicting Chemical Group(s) Attached to the Surface of Polymer Chains Grown on a Substrate.

Figure 12: Exemplary Spacer Molecules.

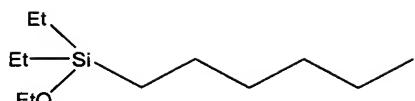
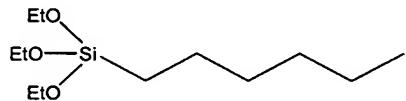
a) An alkyl chain such as:

1. Alkyoxyl silanes with alkyl chains

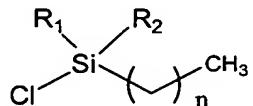


$R_1 = CH_3, C_2H_5$, or alkyl group
 $R_2 = CH_3, C_2H_5$, alkyl group, or OR_1
 $R_3 = CH_3, C_2H_5$, alkyl group, or OR_1
 $n = 1$ to 50

For Example:

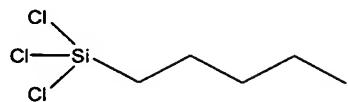
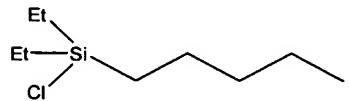


2) chlorosilanes with alkyl chains

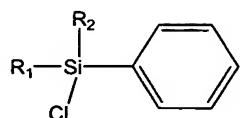


$R_1 = Cl, CH_3, C_2H_5$, or alkyl group
 $R_2 = Cl, CH_3, C_2H_5$, or alkyl group
 $n = 1$ to 50

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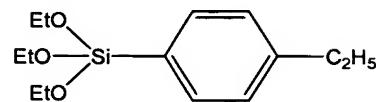
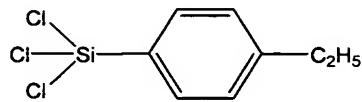
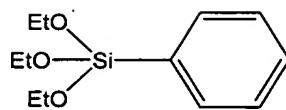
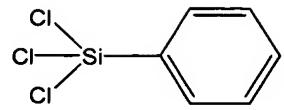


b) Phenyl and its derivatives

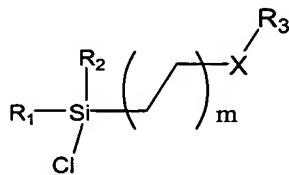


$R_1 = Cl, CH_3, C_2H_5$, or alkyl group
 $R_2 = Cl, CH_3, C_2H_5$, or alkyl group

For example:



c) A mixture of an alkyl chain and functional groups, for example:



$R_1 = Cl, CH_3, C_2H_5$, or alkyl group

$R_2 = Cl, CH_3, C_2H_5$, or alkyl group

$R_3 =$ alkyl group, phenyl, $-OH$, $-NH_2$, etc.

$X = O, COO, CONH$, etc.

$m = 1$ to 50

For example:

